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ANNUAL REPORT

—OF—

THE FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

—OF THE—

TOWN OF LANDAFF,

TOGETHER WITH THE

Report of the School Board

—FOR—

THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1893.

LITTLETON, N. H.:
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AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1893.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in hands of Treasurer, 1892	$ 735 45
Amount of tax bill, including $37.40 paid in money on highway tax bill for 1891	2,077 13
Savings Bank tax	749 05
Railroad tax	18 26
Literary fund	124 16
County of Grafton pauper claim	171 74
Interest on local school fund	40 38
Redemption of John Thackery land sale	11 25
Town Clerk for dog licenses	37 35
Simon C. Noyes, tax collector for 1891	93 28

HIGHWAY TAX PAID IN MONEY.

C. M. Gale, selectman	15 00
J. B. Foster, highway surveyor	2 73
Henry Dowse, highway tax in money	7 47
Moses Whitcher, highway tax in money	3 48
	$4,086 73

EXPENDITURES.

State tax	$ 570 00
County tax	583 80
School orders	779 25
Repairs of school-houses	200 00
Road machine	259 00
	$2,392 05

TOWN PAUPERS.

County of Grafton, care of Frank and Eliza Merrill,	$ 260 00
Herbert D. Noyes	67 65
	$ 327 65

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COUNTY PAUPERS.

William Howland	$ 52 00
Fred W. Lynde, care of Stephen Perkins	52 00
Dustin family	195 66
Oscar E. Young, care G. O. Eastman	52 00
Levina Childs	13 00
	$ 364 66

ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Willis Leonard, labor on road	$ 9 00
William T. Torsey, labor on road	1 50
Daniel Stimson, labor on road	9 00
A. J. Flanders, labor on road	15 11
Daniel Stimson, labor on road	4 05
Cyreno M. Clark, labor on road	5 95
A. J. Hall, labor on road	22 42
S. J. Hutchins, labor on road	7 00
Daniel Stimson, labor on road	2 25
N. J. Stimson, labor on road	5 25
A. J. Flanders, labor on road	1 89
A J. Flanders, labor on road	14 25
Nelson Stimson, breaking road, March, 1892	50
L. D. Williams, on road	1 09
A. J. Hall, work and logs	47 39
Daniel Whitcher, logs and plank, 1892	34 50
C. J Carpenter, work on road, 1891	6 66
John H. Campbell, on road	4 50
A. J. Flanders, on road	11 76
C. L. King, plank for highway	14 63
R. T. Gordon, on highway	7 50
C. W. Clark, on highway	2 10
O. E. Young, powder and drills on road	80
Henry Dowse, on highway	6 00
J. H. Campbell, on highway	4 50
C. N. Gale, on road and machine repairs	8 55
J. B. Chandler, on highway	6 00
Fred P. Noyes, lumber for highway	58 73
	$ 312 88

MISCELLANEOUS.

E. C. Eastman, stationery		$ 8 09
P. R. Goold, printing reports, 1891		12 80
C. M. Gale, freight on road machine		9 54
S. W. Presby, repairs on road machine		5 00
J. H. Whittier, blanks public library		6 30
Joseph Parker, damage to wagon		5 00
Parker & Young M'f'g Co., lumber, making stalls		2 15
School books and school supplies		60 11
C. H. Boynton, returning births and deaths		2 25
Savory Gordon, cleaning vestry		1 00
S. C. Noyes, abatement of taxes, 1891		
P. N. Ferrien	$ 66	
R. E. Littlefield	4 97	6 63
Thomas Tardy	50	
Judson Patterson	50	
Town clerk, issuing dog licenses		3 20
Trustees M. E. church, rental of vestry		10 00
H. H. Noyes, check lists and ink		3 45
A. M. Poor, wood for vestry		1 66
G. W. Shattuck, returning births and deaths from 1889 to 1893		3 50
L. B. Chandler, Stimpson estate, non-resident highway tax worked		4 00
L. B. Chandler, error in F. D. Merrill tax		26
		$ 144 94

PUBLIC WATERING PLACES.

H. N. Whitcher	$ 3 00
Philena Sargent	3 00
J. K. P. Young	3 00
Moses Whitcher	3 00
C. W. Clark	2 00
Young & Noyes	2 00
Theron W. Titus	2 00
	$ 18 00

SERVICES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Charles M. Gale, first selectman	$ 39 00
John E. Hall, second selectman	34 00
Henry Dowse, third selectman	27 00
S. A. Eaton, treasurer	20 00
H. H. Noyes, town clerk	19 22
John E. Hall, overseer of poor	7 00
Hiram Clark, school board	40 00
C. W. Clark, school board	5 00
H. H. Noyes, supervisor check-list	6 75
Hiram R. Cooley, supervisor check-list	6 75
Joel M. Johnson, supervisor check-list	6 75
L. B. Chandler, collector	20 77
Auditors	8 00
	$ 240 24
Amount of receipts into the treasury	$4,086 73
Amount of expenditures	3,800 42
	$ 286 31

FINANCIAL STANDING.

Due from S. C. Noyes, collector 1891	$ 13 10
L. B. Chandler, collector 1892	258 13
County of Grafton	364 66
County of Coos	9 64
In hands of treasurer	28 18
	$ 673 71

UNAVAILABLE ASSETS.

G. D. McKean note local school fund	$ 350 00
Littleton savings bank	550 00
	$ 900 00
Balance in favor of town in 1892	$1,023 21
Balance in favor of town in 1893	673 71

SELECTMEN'S BILLS.

CHARLES M. GALE, SERVICES AS SELECTMAN.

1892.		
Mar. 28	To one day filling inventory blanks	$ 2 00
Apr. 6	Four days taking invoice	8 00
13	One day receiving invoice blanks	2 00
27	One day copying invoice blanks	2 00
29	Two days making taxes	4 00
	One day returning invoice to Secretary of State	2 00
May 1	One day filling collector's book and highway warrants	2 00
28	One day repairing road machine	2 00
	One day delivering highway warrants	2 00
June 11	One day to Whitcherville and South Landaff on road matters	2 00
July 4	One-half day to Whicherville on road matters	1 00
Oct. 22	One-half day calling town meeting	1 00
Nov. 5	One day to prepare hall for town meeting	2 00
Dec. 23	One-half day to revise juror list	1 00
1893.		
Feb. 25	Two days settling claims and calling town meeting	4 00
27	One day with auditors	2 00
		$ 39 00

J. E. HALL, SERVICES AS SELECTMAN.

1892.		
April 6	To four days taking invoice	$ 8 00
13	One day copying invoice	2 00
28	Four days making taxes	8 00

May 1	One day on highway bills and collector's book	$ 2 00
27	One-half day repairing road machine	1 00
28	One-half day setting up road machine	1 00
June	Recording invoice	3 00
Oct. 22	Warning town meeting	1 00
Nov. 30	One-half day on county road	1 00
Dec. 23	One-half day revising juror box	1 00
1893.		
Feb. 25	Two days settling claims and warning town meeting	4 00
27	One day with auditors	2 00
		$ 34 00

HENRY DOWSE, SERVICES AS SELECTMAN.

1892.		
Apr. 6	To four days taking invoice	$ 8 00
13	One day copying invoice	2 00
28	Four days making taxes	8 00
Oct. 22	One-half day warning town meeting	1 00
Dec. 23	One-half day revising juror box	1 00
30	One-half day to South Landaff to examine Gulf bridge	1 00
1893.		
Feb. 24	One day settling claims	2 00
25	One day settling claims and warning town meeting	2 00
27	One day settling claims	2 00
		$ 27 00

H. H. NOYES, SERVICES AS TOWN CLERK.

To fifty-six pages copy	$ 9 52
Enrollment and copy	75

Recording three marriages and copy	45
Recording eight births and eight deaths and copy	2 40
Drawing and notifying jurors, September term	1 25
Drawing and notifying jurors, March term	1 25
Copy vital statistics	1 00
Issuing burial permits	1 00
Returning November election returns	75
Postage and stationery.	85
	$ 19 22

JOHN E. HALL, SERVICES AS OVERSEER OF POOR.

Apr. 19	To one day to Woodsville to settle county claims	$ 2 00
Oct. 10	One-half day to Lisbon in Lavina Childs case	1 00
	Time and expense in caring for Dustin family	4 00
		$ 7 00

We have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer and find them correctly cast and properly vouched. With no money raised last year for current expenses, and with the surplus in the treasury decreased only about three hundred and fifty dollars, and also considering the extra expenses in purchasing a road machine costing two hundred and fifty-nine dollars and an unusually large town pauper claim, we think we may well be satisfied with the financial management of the town affairs.

R. T. GORDON,
FRED P. NOYES, } Auditors.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

In presenting the annual report as required by our school laws, it affords us pleasure to state that our schools, as a whole, have made good progress. Our aim has been to secure the best teachers for their respective situations. If we have failed it has been a lack of the head and not of the heart. We very well know that the School Board and some of the teachers have been harshly criticised by a few of the district. We will not attempt to justify the course persued by us, but will say, as a rule, we think there is no class who make more earnest efforts to know and do their duty and achieve success than do our school teachers, and no class is less appreciated. Much of the responsibility of the lack of progress in our schools falls upon the parents instead of the teachers. A great portion of their energies are spent in counteracting the effects of defective home training, as order and obedience are essential to the acquisition of knowledge. Without obedience there can be no order; without order the efforts of the teacher are abortive, no matter how efficient or earnest he or she may be. Therefore, if we would have our children receive the full benefit of the qualifications of our school teachers it behooves us, as parents, to do our part in training and fitting our children to receive instruction. To insure the best results parents must heartily cooperate with the teachers and act in harmony with them. And here let me say that parents should be slow to heed evil reports of the school from their children. There is no one but will find that if the child is encouraged in such a course, reports will increase daily and be magnified to suit the occasion.

Our first selection of a teacher for the winter term at the Centre proved to be an unfortunate one, but whether he was more at fault than scholars and parents was questionable in our minds. We visited the short term of three weeks three times, and found him gentlemanly, courteous, and scholarly. The greatest fault we could find with him was that in trying to get out of the old ruts of teaching and reciting he was anxious to bring about the reform in too short a time. At our last visit we found only six scholars, and, deeming it unprofitable to have the school continue, the

teacher, accepting the situation, quietly resigned. In consequence of the breakage, the advancement made during the winter was not as great as might have been if all had worked together harmoniously.

We had an application for a winter school at Whitcherville. After investigating the matter we gave them a school of eight weeks, believing that they claimed nothing but what in justice belonged to them. Owing to a scarcity of teachers in the fall we had to employ several who were inexperienced, and though some good work was done, the results were not entirely satisfactory. A really efficient teacher will have her heart in the work and devise ways to employ her time profitably, even with a few scholars, instead of taking questionable literature into the school room with which to busy herself.

Some teachers seem to think that their duties only relate to the intellect, but fail to apprehend the moral dignity of their work. As the intellect is but a part of our nature, to limit the work of culture to mental powers is a hurtful restriction of the noble province of the school. The intellect alone cultivated is like a ship without a rudder—liable to be stranded on the quicksands of time. It will produce too many Guiteaus and too few Garfields. When the school shall develop, harmoniously, the moral, the intellectual, and physical powers, impart practical moral truths and inculcate useful and business principles, then, and not till then, will the school subserve its highest purpose.

HIRAM CLARK,
CHARLES E. NOYES,
C. W. CLARK,
} School Board of Landaff.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

School	Term.	Teachers Name	No. Weeks school	No. of Scholars.	No. in Reading.	No. in Spelling.	No. in Writing.	No. in Arithmatic.	No. in Geography.	No. in Grammar.	No. in History.	No. in Physiology.	No. in Algebra.	No. in Book keeping.	No. in Civil Gov'm't	No. in Geometry.
Center	Summer	Mabel M Bronson	8	21	21	20	18	17	8	6	1	2		4		
	Fall	Marion A. Knight	8	24	24	22	24	24	11	11	5					
	Winter	A. F. Campbell	3	26												
	Winter	Julia E. Glazier	6	20	18	18	20	17	13	11	1		1	4	2	
Scotland	Summer	Florence Bishop	8	13	13	7	7	7	5							
	Fall	Mabel M Bronson	8	13	13	7	10	5	2	1						
	Winter	" " "	8	6	6	4	5	1	1							
Blue School house	Summer	Nellie G. Demming	8	22	22	22	22	19	10	8	7					1.
	Fall	Mabel L. Phelps	8	17	17	17	17	15	6	6	4		2			
	Winter	Jennie L. Chandler	8	19	17	17	17	17	14	9	5	1	3			
Ireland	Summer	Melinda A. Simonds	8	10	10	10	9	8	5	1		2	1			
	Fall	Nettie M. B. Millen	8	13	13	13	10	10	7	4	1		1			
	Winter	" " " "	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	5						
South Landaff	Summer	May Belle Whiting	8	8	8	8	7	4	2	2	1					
	Fall	Flora E Kimball	10	6	6	6	6	3	2	1	1	2				
Foster Hill	Summer	Jennie L. Chandler	9	6	6	6	6	5	3	3			2			
	Fall	Gertrude A. Watson	8	4	4	4	4	3	2				1	1		
Whitcherville	Winter	Emilie W. McConnel	8	7	7	6	4	4	4			1				

Number of Pupils attending school two weeks, Boys 56, Girls 44.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

SUMMER TERM.

Ernest M. Albee
Lulu V. Bemis
Dan W. Gordon
Harry J. Poor
Horace F. Stevens
Mercy F. Whitcher
Lawrence Bronson
Leslie Stevens
Lina Stevens
Susie B. Spooner
Grover C. Ball
Ray H. Cooley
Hattie A. Clark
Scott E. Williams
Lena Woods
Gertrude M. Johnson
Grace L. Johnson
Maggie J. Mathison
Ralph Heath
Bernard C. Noyes
Glenn Stevens
Nathan Kidder
Emma D. Ball
Ray Clifford
Scott F. Cooley
Maud E. Clark
Guy D. Moulton

FALL TERM.

Ernest M. Albee
Lulu V. Bemis
Mercy F. Whitcher
Bernard C. Noyes
Charlie O. Woods
Leslie C. Stevens
Susie B. Spooner
Scott F. Cooley
Scott E. Williams
Julia M. Albee
Grace M. Titus
Ralph Heath
Lena A. Woods
Glenn Stevens
Horace F. Stevens
Ray H. Cooley
Guy D. Moulton

WINTER TERM.

Ralph Heath
Dan W. Gordon
Percy H. Poor
Lawrence Bronson
Dunward W. Hutchins
Emma D. Ball
Perry J. Poor
Guy A. Sargent
Susie B. Spooner
Mary E. Hutchins

SCHOOL BOARD TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance school money last year,	$ 62
School order for 1892,	779 25
Total	$ 779 87
No. 1 School fund	30 00
Interest to March 1, 1893	15 22
No. 2 School fund	75 13
Interest to March 1, 1893	24 37
	$ 924 59

EXPENDITURES.

Support of Center school	$ 151 67
Support of school No. 1	120 00
Support of school No. 2	113 50
Support of school No. 3	129 98
Support of school No. 4	80 00
Support of school No. 5	74 00
Support of Whitcherville school	34 00
Support of Benton school	15 00
L. D. Williams, building fence, So. Landaff	2 00
Mrs. C. L. King, cleaning house, No. 3	3 00
Stephen Huntoon, cleaning house, No. 5	1 50
C. W. Clark, cleaning and papering, No. 2	3 50
	$ 728 15
No. 1 and No. 2 school fund	144 72
In Treasurer's hands	51 72
	$ 924 59

HIRAM CLARK, Treasurer.

Amount raised to repair school houses		$ 200 00

EXPENDITURES.

Parker & Young Co., for shingles, Center school	$ 45 84	
Cogswell & Oliver, nails	1 03	
O. S. Merrill, shingling and cleaning	13 12	
C. W. Clark, drawing shingles	2 50	
O. S. Merrill, glass and setting	1 25	
		$ 63 74
A. A. Miles, painting houses Nos. 2 and 3	$ 116 00	
Hiram Clark, with painters, cleaning stove pipe, etc.	2 00	
C.W. Clark, banking house, mending stove, etc.	2 90	
		$ 120 90
Amount expended		$ 184 64
In Treasurer's hands		$ 15 36

We have examined the accounts of the School Board and Treasurer and find them carefully kept, correctly cast and properly vouched.

R. T. GORDON, }
F. P. NOYES, } Auditors.

Births Registered in the Town of Landaff, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1892.

Date of Birth. 1892	Name of Child (if any.)	Sex	Color.	Living or Still b'n	No. of Children 1st, 2d, etc.	Father's Name	Father's Birthplace.	Residence	Father's Occupation	Mother's Name	Mother's Birthplace
Jan. 23		F	W	L	1	Warren B Atwood	Landaff	Landaff	Farming	Mattie J Miner	Lyman
Apr. 26		F			2	John W Priest	Bethlehem		Laborer	Nellie L Crane	Dalton
May 31	E C Burbank	M			1	Ezra C Burbank	Bath		Farming	Mary E Flanders	Lyman
July 16	Ethel M Eaton	F			1	Frank H Eaton	Landaff		"	Carrie B Sherman	Landaff
Sep. 14	Bessie O Woods	F			8	Charles E Woods	Allenstown		"	Emma A Marston	Pittsfield
Oct. 12		M			2	Simon C Noyes	Landaff		"	Clara Andrews	Plymouth
Dec. 9	Harrison Heath	M			4	Calvin E Heath	Littleton		"	Elvira A King	Landaff
Dec. 23		F			2	Willie H Merrill	Landaff		Salesman	Jennie L Bass	Newbury Vt

Marriages Registered in the Town of Landaff, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1892.

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years	Color of each	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Name of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition.	Name, Residence and official Station of person by whom married.
Feb. 27	Landaff	Alfred C Carpenter	Landaff	22	W	Farming	Landaff	Calvin J Carpentr	Farming	1st	W B Lock
								Maria Hammond	Housewife		Justice of Peace
		Martha A Wilson	So Braintree	28		Housework	So Braintree	John C Durgin		2d	Landaff
								Huldah S Bartlett			
April 20	Wells River	Joseph Peltiere	Landaff	31		Laborer	St Flavia P Q	Herman Peltiere	Deceased	1st	Rev J Pagnet
								M Semechialls	Housewife		Lyndonville Vt
		Josephine Camire	Woodsville	28		Housework	Pertlavia P Q	Frank Camire	Laborer	1st	
								N Boissanneauct	Housewife		
Oct. 26	Landaff	Dennis A Hammell	Landaff	21		Farming	St Johnsbury	David Hammell	Farming		Rev J L Felt
								Louise Devinger	Housewife	1st	Lisbon
		Carrie H Temple		27		Housework	Landaff	Caleb C Temple	Farming	1st	
								Helen C Page	Housewife		

Deaths Registered in the Town of Landaff, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1892.

Date—1892.	Name and Surname of deceased.	Age. Years.	Age. Months.	Age. Days.	Place of Birth.	Sex and Condition. Male or Female.	Sex and Condition. Color.	Sex and Condition. Single, Married or Widowed.	Occupation.	Place of Birth. Father.	Place of Birth. Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
Jan. 15				22	Lisbon	M	W	S		Benton	Haverhill	Frank B Parker	Martha Haywood
Jan. 17	Ray K Corey	3	8		"	M		S		Bath	Lisbon	C E Corey	Mary A Hinman
April 1	Pricilla Eastman	89	2	27	Landaff	F		W	Housework			Benjamin Page	Lydia Eaton
June 1	Hannah E Chandler	44	3	8	"	F		M	"	Landaff	Deerfield	John F Gale	Martha Chase
August 20	Samuel G Simonds	72	7	6	"	M		M	Farmer	Middleton Con	Bath	Johnat'n Simonds	Nancy Gordon
" 22	Sarah C Eaton	65	4	21	Pittsburg	F		M	Housewife	Pembroke	Bradford	John McConnell	Abagail Carter
Oct. 8	Lavina Child	39	5		Bath	F		S	Housework		Bath		Loraine Child
Sept. 27	Reuben Rowley	69		20	New York	M		M	Farmer				